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TURNER APPARENTLY HAS NO INTENTION OF COMPLETELY ABOLISHING CLANDESTINE OPERATIONS. HE WAS REPORTED TO HAVE TOLD A SMALL GROUP OF REPORTERS AT A PRIVATE BREAKFAST MEETING TUESDAY THAT HE WANS "A LEAN AND MEAN" CLANDESTINE SERVICE.

CONGRESS HAS INVESTIGATED THE CIA'S MORE DUBIOUS COVERT ACTIVITIES OVER THE LAST FOUR YEARS, RESULTING IN STRICTER INTERNAL CONTROL, MORE WHITE HOUSE ATTENTION, AND FULL OVERSIGHT BY THE SENATE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE.

ABOUT 45 PER CENT OF THOSE ATTACHED TO THE DIRECTORATE OF OPERATIONS ARE REPORTED STATIONED OVERSEAS, MOST WORKING OUT OF U.S. EMBASSIES AND CONSULATES.

THIS IS THE BRANCH THAT PERFORMS THE "DIRTY TRICKS" OF INTELLIGENCE - THE SPYING, "DISINFORMATION" TACTICS AND EVEN PARAMILITARY OPERATIONS.

TURNER, WHO ONLY LAST WEEK RECEIVED BROAD POWERS OVER THE ENTIRE INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY, HAS MOVED QUICKLY SINCE FEBRUARY, WHEN HE LEFT THE NAVY AND BECAME CIA CHIEF AND DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE.

PRESIDENT CARTER, A FORMER NAVAL ACADEMY CLASSMATE OF TURNER, APPARENTLY HAS GIVEN HIM A FREE HAND. TURNER'S TACTICS, HOWEVER, ARE KNOWN TO HAVE HAD CONSIDERABLE NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON CIA MORALE, PARTICULARLY AMONG "OLD TIMERS" WHO ARE CONCERNED WHERE THE AGENCY IS GOING AFTER SO MUCH BATTERING FROM CONGRESS AND THE PRESS.

INTELLIGENCE CIRCLES COULD NOT RECALL SUCH A WIDESPREAD REDUCTION IN A CIA DEPARTMENT.

VICTOR MARCHETTI, A 17-YEAR VETERAN OF THE CIA WHO RESIGNED THE ORGANIZATION TO WRITE AN EXPOSE BOOK ON ITS WORKINGS IN 1974, ESTIMATED THAT THE DIRECTORATE OF OPERATIONS - THE LARGEST OF FOUR IN THE AGENCY - HAD ABOUT 6,000 PROFESSIONALS AND CLERKS. THE ENTIRE CIA IS ESTIMATED TO EMPLOY ABOUT 16,500.

MARCHETTI SAID APPROXIMATELY 45 PER CENT OF THE SPIES ARE OVERSEAS, "THE VAST MAJORITY USING OFFICIAL COVER - POSING AS REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OR DEFENSE DEPARTMENTS."

HE ALSO ESTIMATED THAT ABOUT TWO OF EVERY THREE PEOPLE IN CLANDESTINE SERVICES WORK AT GENERAL INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES - LIAISON, ESPIONAGE AND COUNTER-ESPIONAGE - AND THE REMAINDER ON VARIOUS FORMS OF COVERT ACTION.

THE COVERT ACTIVITIES ARE SAID TO CONSUME HALF AGAIN MORE MONEY THAN SPYING AND COUNTERSPYING.

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